

November 9, 2010

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson McConnell at 8:30 a.m., on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, with certification of the Open Meeting Notice, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

S. McConnell, M. Schweder, M. Stoddard, T. Traxler, and M. Whirry

EDUCATORS/STAFF/GUESTS PRESENT

N. Ghimire, J. Kauffeld, D. Slark, M. Spaulding, and K. Zills
Dan Priske, County Board Chairman

LIBRARY SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE(S) PRESENT

L. DeNell

AGENDA

Motion/second (Stoddard/Traxler) to approve the Agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Whirry/Schweder) to approve the October 12, 2010 minutes. Motion carried.

LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Written report on file. Linda DeNell stated libraries have been busy working with their municipalities on the budgets. December will be busy with cookie sales and storytimes.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS

Rich Swanke (arrived at 8:55 a.m.)

CORRESPONDENCE

A thank you note was shared with the Committee from Bailey Sternitske thanking the Fair for sponsoring Best of Show ribbon for rabbits. Correspondence also was shared from Nick Retzlaff (4-H member/Fair exhibitor) stating he received a \$2.00 premium in error for a photo exhibit that he did not enter. He enclosed a check for \$2.00 to reimburse the Fair's premium account.



Fair Committee Discussion – 2010 Fair

2011 TRUCK/TRACTOR PULL ALCOHOL SALES – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Event organizer asked the Committee to consider beer sales on both sides of the track using a wristband process on Thursday evening of the Truck/Tractor Pull. Swanke also asked the Committee to consider an overall beer garden by possibly using the Dairy Ring Show Tent. Discussion ensued regarding the comments. The wristband process to sell alcohol on both sides of the track was favorable, but an overall beer garden will be put on hold for a future Fair after many considerations are researched.

Motion/second (Whirry/Traxler) to approve alcohol sales on Thursday evening of the Truck/Tractor Pull on Thursday evening only using a wristband process and serve alcohol on both sides of the track.

Roll Call Vote: McConnell-Yes, Schweder-Yes, Stoddard-No, Traxler-Yes, Whirry-Yes. Motion carried.

2011 ATV RACES - DISCUSSION

The Princeton All-Terrain Club contacted the Fair to see if they could hold their event on Friday evening of the 2011 Fair. Committee showed support of bringing this event back. The ATV Club has been invited to a future Committee meeting if necessary. The ATV Club will follow up with a 2011 contract.

SPACE REQUEST FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITY – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

Zills informed the Committee that the Green Lake County Sheriff's Department is interested in space available at the Fair for a one-day visit of a mobile educational facility that provides training and information to motorcycle riders and the motoring public. The Highway Commissioner was contacted and agreed to work with the Fair and Sheriff's Department in helping to provide adequate space and electrical requirements for this unit. The Committee was in support of this unit visiting the Fair. Zills stated she would keep the Committee informed regarding this event.

WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

The following parties were given permission to attend the Wisconsin Association of Fairs Convention held in Wisconsin Dells at the Chula Vista January 9-12, 2011: Belinda Fox (4-H Leader/Volunteer), Michael fox (4-H Leaders Association Vice-President/Volunteer), Dave Henke (Livestock Committee, Secretary), and Kim Zills (Fair Office Support Staff). Registration per person is \$35.00 and will be sent in before deadline.

Motion/second (Schweder/Stoddard) to approve WAF Convention registrations. Motion carried.

2011 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM MAILING LIST

The Committee was asked to look over their handout and submit any revisions necessary to the mailing list. Revisions should be submitted by the next Committee meeting. This mailing would be sent out January, 2011.

UW-Extension Committee Discussion

EDUCATOR REPORTS

1. Ghimire: Written monthly report on file. Ghimire presented a PowerPoint on implementing a survey. His report included recommended and not recommended questions and procedures to follow. Ghimire reported on attending a workshop beneficial to his upcoming Nutrient Management Training.

2. Q & A of Educators' Submitted Monthly Reports

Kauffeld: Written report on file. Kauffeld reported on the State Systems Thinking Team he is a part of. He also attended workshops that will help with the Downtown Green Lake Renewal Project and the future of the Courthouse

Slark: Written report on file. Slark reported on a workshop he attended at the statewide UW-Extension on Youth and Governance. This workshop provided information on youth serving on County Boards.

Spaulding: Written report on file. At the UW-Extension Conference, Spaulding reported on discussions held regarding the future of UW-Extension with budget cuts on the horizon.

Motion/second (Stoddard/McConnell) to approve out of county days for the educators: Ghimire (3.5), Slark (5.0), Kauffeld (2.0), and Spaulding (5.0). Motion carried.

BREAK

9:35 a.m. – Meeting reconvened at 9:45 a.m.

4-H SURVEY RESULTS – DISCUSSION

Results that have been compiled from surveys returned to this point were handed out to the Committee. Two surveys were circulated - Volunteer Survey (Leaders/Parent) and 4-H (Members). Slark continues to meet with 4-H Clubs. By next month, all Clubs will have been visited. A completed evaluation will be compiled after all surveys are returned.

ACCOUNT CLERK II (REFILL POSITION) - DISCUSSION

Committee members reviewed a handout on support staff responsibilities/qualifications for the Account Clerk II vacant position. Discussion ensued by the staff regarding the importance and need of refilling this position.

CLOSED SESSION TO REVIEW UW-EXTENSION ACCOUNT CLERK II POSITION PER WI STATUTE 19.85(1)(c)

Motion/second (McConnell/Traxler) to move into closed session for the purpose of reviewing the UW-Extension evaluation data, per WI Statute 19.85(1)(c). A roll call vote was taken; 5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried. Move into closed session at 10:10 a.m.

RESUME OPEN SESSION

Motion/second (McConnell/Traxler) to move into open session. A roll call vote was taken; 5 yes, 0 no. Motion carried. Open session resumed at 10:55 a.m.

ANNOUNCE FINDINGS OF CLOSED SESSION

The Committee made a motion to offer Kavanaugh her position back at 50% time. If not accepted, Committee approved to refill position at 50% time.

PROGRAM SPECIALIST OVERTIME – DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

After Committee discussion, request denied.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – REPORT OF LAST MONTH'S COMMITTEE MEETINGS-INCLUDING Q & A

- a. Property & Insurance Committee - Building addition ahead of schedule.
- b. Personnel Committee - Report on County Clerk Office restructuring. The County Board to make a decision regarding this tonight.
- c. Finance Committee - County Budget for 2011 is ready for approval.

VOUCHERS – AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

Motion/second (Whirry/Traxler) to sign vouchers. Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, 2010, at 8:30 a.m. in the Courthouse Demonstration Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Stoddard/Traxler) to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Zills
Program Specialist